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The community relations committee invites you to a casual wine tasting event. Each person brings a favorite wine, along with some history, perhaps of the winery or why it is special to you.



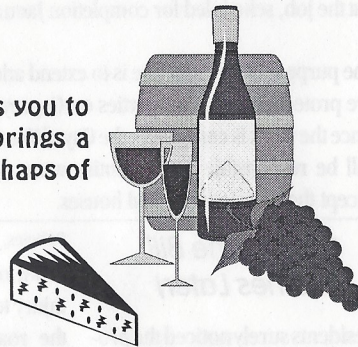
Assorted fruit, cheese, bread and crackers will be served. If you would like to bring a special hors d'oeuvre, please do!

Limited to the first 30 reservations.

February 24, 2001

7 - 9 p.m.

Location to be announced



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the Surf Pines Breeze

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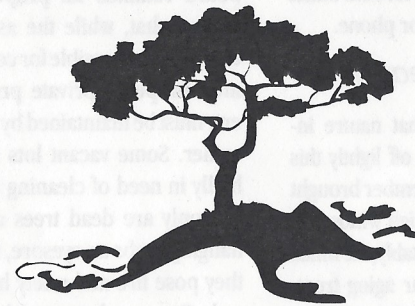
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Road Running—A Dog's Death

Life in Surf Pines is, on any measure, a privileged one. For domestic animals the area can be a safe haven, but not if they are allowed to run loose on the roads.

Recently, Savannah, a friendly light brown hound puppy living on Ocean Drive, was hit by a car when she ran into the road. She was seriously injured and had to be put down. Her owners, who rent the home on Ocean, had been warned frequently that the dog should be kept under control and on the property. Sadly, the warning went unheeded.

Pet Policy

Once again, therefore, the Breeze repeats the board policy on pets: they must be kept under physical or voice control at all times. No dog should be permitted to run loose in this area. If an animal is causing a nuisance, residents should speak to the owner. If that is ineffective,

contact animal control in Warrenton, 861-7387. They take calls on Monday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on Tuesday and Thursday from 2 to 6 p.m. Because staff time is limited, please furnish a description of the animal and the time and location where it is usually seen.

Speeding Policy

Dogs are not the only creatures that drivers are likely to encounter on our roads. Cats, deer, elk, rabbits, skunks and countless other animals share this terrain with us and contribute to a quality of life that most of us in Surf Pines cherish. And then there are small children who play and residents who walk and run on our roads. Common sense has dictated a speed limit of 25 mph, which permits drivers to slow

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New Year Message

As members read this newsletter, the holidays are over. The boards of both associations join in hoping your festivities were joyous and that the year 2001 will be auspicious for one and all.

Association News

Twass the Season...

By Saturday, December 9, the festive season was well underway. With all kinds of events scheduled, the Surf Pines holiday party at the Grange had a lot of competition for members' attention. A few people stopped in to greet neighbors and share a glass of cheer before continuing to other commitments, and some 12 people stayed for the evening. Several couples new to Surf Pines were highly pleased at the chance to meet some other residents.

The community relations committee outdid themselves in providing hors d'oeuvres and a sumptuous dinner. It is a pity that more members could not participate. But the committee has plans for other events that will offer opportunities to socialize. One such occasion, if enough people are interested, is a wine tasting, to be held in a private home. The idea is that those interested should bring a wine of their choice for sampling. It sounds like a delightful way to broaden one's taste as well as one's acquaintance. For more details, see the box on page 4.

One purpose of the community relations committee is to provide assistance and support to

neighbors who may be ill or have suffered a loss. If you know someone who would appreciate some help or an encouraging card of concern, let Tom Smith know by e-mail or phone.

Storm Season

Lest we think that nature intended to let us off lightly this winter, mid-December brought several days of high winds and driving rain. Inevitably, the winds took a toll of our aging trees. Malarkey Lane and Sea Breeze were temporarily blocked by downed trees, which Rolf cleared as quickly as possible. He was also kind enough to answer a distress call from a resident whose driveway was blocked by a blown-out tree top.

The grounds committee has been busy tidying up the rights of way from last year's storms and making sure that tree limbs are not menacing power lines. Hopefully, there will be fewer power losses this year. With the help of Robert Stineman and his Young's River Trees crew, the committee has trimmed back and removed vegetation along Ocean Drive where it had encroached on the pavement and limited visibility. Areas from south of High Surf to the s-curve and from Horizon northwards were given particular attention.

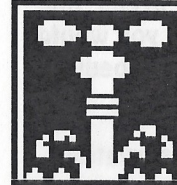
Several homeowners also availed themselves of Young's River Trees' help to clear dead-fall from their property. The board reminds all property owners that, while the association is responsible for common property, private property must be maintained by the owner. Some vacant lots are badly in need of cleaning up. Not only are dead trees and hanging limbs an eyesore, but they pose fire and safety hazards. Owners who cannot look after their property themselves may contact the board to discuss what can be done.

Note to Second Home Owners

A number of members have rented their homes to others on long-term leases. The renters should have access to information about Surf Pines, but the board does not usually know who they are. This note is a plea to homeowners who have tenants to let either Bill Barrons or a board member know who is living in their homes.

The community relations committee will see that they have the information they need and answer any questions they may have.

THE PIPELINE



Water Board News

Residents may have wondered about utility work that started in December on Manion Drive. The water board is more than pleased to announce that phase 4, the *final* phase, of the water line project is now underway. Engineering for the loop to properties east of Manion was done by Jim Rankin. Jim Wilkins carried out the job, scheduled for completion January 15.

The purpose of this new line is to extend adequate fire protection to the properties on Osprey Drive. Once the work is completed, the City of Warrenton will be responsible for the entire water system, except the lines to individual houses.

Gates (The Bill Comes Later)

Residents surely noticed the protracted periods during which the gates were not functioning. Because of repeated malfunctions, the board consulted with engineers and decided, as an experimental measure, to lighten the load carried on the arms at the south gate. In addition, the arms at both sites have been altered to make them run more smoothly. This is a short-term fix. In the longer run, the security committee looks to modify the mechanism itself to provide a less complex mechanical system, one not so prone to problems. Time will tell if these measures serve to improve the gates' functioning and reduce maintenance costs.

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down or stop in time to prevent injury to any person or animal in the road. Alas, common sense seems in short supply when drivers are in a hurry. Last month the board borrowed a radar gun from the sheriff, and Rolf Rosenberg, our security man, monitored car speeds at different locations and times from December 1 to 4. Of a total of 43 cars observed at five sites, 19 were exceeding the posted speed limit by five miles an hour or more, that is going 30 or more mph. Eight of those cars, or 19%, were more than ten miles an hour over the limit.

Because the speed limit is so frequently disregarded, the board is continuing to have sheriff's deputies patrol the roads at irregular intervals. They will issue citations for violations under a stricter policy:

At that point, the water board will consider its mission accomplished and when every piece of business is complete, the Surf Pines Water Association will dissolve itself. On that long-awaited day, if residents experience an unusual gust of wind, it will be the collective sigh of relief from the members of the water board. The rest of us owe them and their colleagues from previous boards an unpayable debt of gratitude for all their work and dedication, for simply hanging in there, and for taking all the stress over the years. On all our behalf, we say most sincerely, "Thank you, ladies and gentlemen."

- Each observed violation will be subject to a penalty (formerly, penalties applied only to the third offense).
- Penalties will be levied at the same rate as the state-wide schedule, starting with \$77 for excess speeds of 1 to 10 miles per hour (rather than the previous, reduced schedule).
- Anyone receiving a citation will have the opportunity to appeal to the board.

The complete revised policy will be incorporated in the new *Surf Pines Handbook*, to be issued this quarter. If you wish more detail on the policy, please contact Mark Roberts, chair of the security committee.

